

# 2014 MADE Competition Opens Doors for New Businesses

MARSHALL, Mo., Nov. 18, 2013 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Missouri Valley Community Action Agency is pleased to announce the fifth annual MADE In Missouri State Entrepreneurship Competition. This year's event will be launched by MVCAA and the Missouri Alliance for the Development of Entrepreneurship in conjunction with Global Entrepreneurship Week.

According to the Kauffman Foundation "Global Entrepreneurship Week is the world's largest celebration of the innovators and job creators who launch startups that bring ideas to life, drive economic growth and expand human welfare. GEW is more than just an awareness campaign. It is a platform for connection and collaboration-engaging all players along the entrepreneurship spectrum in strengthening ecosystems around the world."

The MADE competition provides opportunities for new and potential business owners to move their business ideas from concept to a successful business through technical assistance, marketing, advice and networking opportunities plus the ability to compete for investment funding. The competition is open to youth and adult residents of Missouri that want to start or grow businesses in Missouri.

Participants begin the process by answering a questionnaire about their business ideas in the preliminary round. The judges in that round provide tips, suggestions and referrals to strengthen the business. Those participants that advance to the final round will submit a complete business plan with financials by August 1, 2014 and then participate in a trade show complete with an investor style pitch in August. Winners at that round will receive investment funding for their business.

First round application materials can be accessed online at <http://www.mvcaa.net/index.cfm?Page=MADE> with a first round submission deadline of May 31, 2014. Submissions by mail must be postmarked by May 31, and those by email must be sent by 5:00 p.m. on May 31, 2014.

For more information and to register, go online to <http://www.mvcaa.net/index.cfm?Page=MADE>, or contact:

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The Missouri Alliance for the Development of Entrepreneurship (MADE) is a coalition of a diverse group of organizations, technical assistance

professionals, university, federal and state departments, entrepreneurs and other professionals. The guiding purpose behind its creation was the integration of a coalition dedicated to cultivating entrepreneurship in Missouri by assisting entrepreneurs in creating, financing and managing their new businesses and effecting an environment which supports them. The Alliance is spearheaded by Missouri Valley Community Action Agency of Marshall, Missouri.

Currently this project is funded 75 percent at \$15,000 with federal funds and 25 percent at \$5,000 by nongovernmental sources for a total amount of \$20,000. The federal funds are received from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) provided by the Missouri Department of Social Services, Family Support Division.

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